January 4

$\P 1.30$ ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 263: Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 491: Mr. GEJDENSON.

H.R. 497: Mrs. MEYERS of Kansas.

H.R. 972: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 1248: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 1448: Mr. HUTCHINSON.

H.R. 1464: Mr. SHADEGG and Mr. DAVIS.

 $\mbox{H.R.}$ 1625: Mr. HOEKSTRA and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska.

H.R. 1701: Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.

H.R. 1733: Mr. COYNE and Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 1794: Mr. KING.

H.R. 2078: Mr. WELLER.

H.R. 2119: Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. HORN, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. KLUG, and Mr. LUTHER.

H.R. 2152: Mr. CANADY.

 $H.R.\ 2193;\ Mr.\ GUNDERSON$ and $Mr.\ YOUNG$ of Alaska.

H.R. 2246: Mr. KLINK.

H.R. 2310: Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. PETE GEREN of Texas, and Mr. BAESLER.

H.R. 2333: Mr. STARK, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. MYERS of Indiana, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. SAM JOHNSON, Mr. McCrery, Ms. Delauro, and Mr. Duncan.

H.R. 2416: Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

H.R. 2508: Ms. WOOLSEY and Mr. MANTON.

H.R. 2543: Mr. FLAKE.

H.R. 2579: Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. DORNAN, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, and Mr. TAU-ZIN.

H.R. 2585: Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 2597: Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PETERSON of Florida, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 2618: Ms. Woolsey.

H.R. 2647: Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.

H.R. 2651: Mr. STOCKMAN.

H.R. 2658: Mr. FORD, Mr. BALDACCI, Mrs. SCHROEDER, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. MCHALE, Mr. JACKSON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey, Mr. TORRES, Ms. DANNER, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. LEACH, Mr. DINGELL, and Mr. WARD.

 $\ensuremath{\text{H.R.}}$ 2664: Ms. PRYCE and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.

 $H.R.\ 2745;\ Mr.\ SERRANO,\ Mr.\ FILNER,\ Mr.\ BLUTE,\ and\ Mr.\ FLAKE.$

 $\mbox{H.R.}$ 2757: Mr. Largent, Mr. Stump, and Mr. Smith of Texas.

H.R. 2780: Mr. GILLMOR.

H.R. 2785: Mr. TEJEDA.

 $H.R.\ 2823;\ Mr.\ ORTIZ,\ Mr.\ FRELINGHUYSEN,$ and $Mr.\ LARGENT.$

H. Con. Res. 125: Mr. TORRICELLI.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1996 (2)

¶2.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,

January 4, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable RAY LAHOOD to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

¶2.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, January 3, 1996.

Mr. HEFLEY, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, objected to the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to the Chair's approval of said Journal?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced that the yeas had it

Mr. HEFLEY objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that the vote would be postponed until later today.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

¶2.3 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

1907. A letter from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting the report of expenditures of appropriations during the period April 1, 1995, through September 30, 1995, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 162b; to the Committee on Appropriations.

1908. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act which occurred in the fiscal year 1993, operation and maintenance, Air National Guard, and fiscal year 1993, military personnel, Air National Guard, appropriations, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

1909. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs and Public Liaison, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's second semiannual report to Congress, as required by section 403 of the Mexican Debt Disclosure Act of 1995, and the December monthly report to Congress, as required by section 404 of the same act, pursuant to Public Law 104-6, sections 403(a), 404(a) (109 Stat. 89, 90); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1910. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Annual Report on the State Energy Conservation Program for Calendar Year 1994," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6325; to the Committee on Commerce.

1911. A letter from the Director, Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the White House personnel report for the fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 3 U.S.C. 113; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1912. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11-178, "Prohibition on Abandoned Vehicles Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1913. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11–179, "Woodrow Wilson Bridge and Tunnel Compact Authorization Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1–233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1914. A letter from the Acting Secretary of State, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1915. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1916. A letter from the National Adjutant, the Disabled American Veterans, transmitting the report of the proceedings of the organization's 74th national convention, including their annual audit report of receipts and expenditures as of December 31, 1994, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 90i and 44 U.S.C. 1332 (H. Doc. No. 104–159); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

1917. A letter from the Librarian of Congress, Archivist of the United States, and the Public Printer, transmitting the final report on establishing a national policy on permanent papers, pursuant to Public Law 101-423, Section 3 (104 Stat. 913); jointly, to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and House Oversight.

¶2.4 INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. REGULA moved to discharge the Committee on Appropriations from further consideration of the veto message on the bill (H.R. 1977) making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

After debate,

¶2.5 WORDS TAKEN DOWN

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska during debate addressed the House and, during the course of his remarks,

Mr. OBEY demanded that certain words be taken down.

The Clerk read the words taken down as follows:

The gentleman keeps talking about the Tongass. It will be 90 percent in wilderness, and he knows it, and you told a mistruth every time on this issue, and you know that it is a mistruth. There is absolutely no truth, there is no truth. . . .

By unanimous consent, the words were with drawn.

Accordingly,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, recognized Mr. YOUNG of Alaska to proceed in order.

After further debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on said motion.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to said motion? The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced that the yeas had it.

So said motion was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote, whereby said motion was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Accordingly,

¶2.6 UNFINISHED BUSINESS—VETO OF H.R. 1977

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced the unfinished business to be the consideration of the veto of the bill (H.R. 1977) making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding.

After debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on the bill.

The question being put,

Will the House, upon reconsideration, agree to pass the bill, the objections of